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Subject: Re: IRIS Mgmt Council: agenda for Jan 27

Hi Vince - I'm on jury duty right now and won't be able to attend the meeting tomorrow (and may have to miss next week as well).

For #2 - are we going to estimate time needed from the workgroups - or just time for the staff we know are (currently) working on those priority assessments?

Thanks -
Belinda

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 26, 2015, at 4:41 PM, "Cogliano, Vincent" <cogliano.vincent@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello everyone – As I wrote in Friday's rant (see below) in response to the CPI story, I'd like to develop a plan for the year ahead that continue to move assessments through the pipeline.

To that end, attached are two worksheets that should help us plan our activities. I don't expect them to be filled in for the Mgmt Council meeting, but I they'll be valuable in planning our program.

1. "PipeTracker" lists assessments by step in the process. There are two new columns: next step and projected date. Please fill in the projected date for each assessment you oversee, to the extent you can.
2. "Staff Priority Assignments" requests for the high-priority assessments (Arsenic, Chromium VI, Ethylene oxide, Formaldehyde, PCBs) the names of staff members and estimated fraction of time each is needed over the next few quarters. Please fill in this table for the scientists in your branches. We can use this table to see who might be available to work on our other assessments and activities.

Thanks. If the offices in Washington are open Tuesday morning, I'll see you all then.

Thanks,
Vince

From: Cogliano, Vincent
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 9:54 AM
Subject: Re: Time -- CPI website

CPI's website headline is "Science logjam at EPA" and the face of the logjam . . . the administrator!

D@&%! You never want to see the boss put in that light. The briefing for the deputy administrator will be interesting.

On Jan 23, 2015, at 09:23, Vincent Cogliano <cogliano.vincent@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello everyone -- Below is a link to the story from the Center for Public Integrity, this time in . . . Time!

My quick response messages would be:

- IRIS must strive for scientific quality and productivity. Both are equally important.
- The review process takes over two years, so final results are not immediate. But in the past year we moved a large number of assessments through the first steps, enough to signal a higher level of productivity than at any time in the past 20 years.
- This year we will continue to move those assessments forward, plus we will take up even more assessments of interest to the EPA and to public health.

To that end, please find attached a list of assessments in the pipeline. At Mgmt Council on Tuesday I'd like the branch chiefs to report the next step and target date for each assessment that is listed from problem formulation through public comment (step 4a). Some of these will be difficult to determine -- we'll discuss them on Tuesday. We need to develop a plan for the year ahead that continues to move assessments through the pipeline.

By the way, don't forget that we brief the deputy administrator Monday morning at 10:30.

Have a good weekend,
Vince

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Subject: Time Article about IRIS

Good morning,

Last September David Heath from the Center for Public Integrity interviewed Dr. Olden about IRIS. The article is in Time today- see link below.

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